

VISITS TO JAPAN AND AUSTRALIA: 26 JUNE-2 JULYTokyo Summit

I attach the outline provisional programme for the Prime Minister's visit to Japan and Australia as at 19 June. We have not yet formally confirmed that she will stop over in Moscow, but will probably do so on Monday when we give the press a more detailed programme for the Summit meeting.

Composition of Party

The Prime Minister will be accompanied by the Foreign and Commonwealth Secretary and the Chancellor of the Exchequer to Tokyo. She will not be accompanied by any other Ministers on the Australian leg of the visit.

Agenda

This is as described in the Press Release attached. We hope to be able to arrange a background briefing for British and Foreign correspondents on Monday afternoon, but will not be able to confirm this until after the weekend. Obviously energy will be a major item at Tokyo.

Previous meetings with other participants at the Summit

The Prime Minister has met/not met the other participants at Tokyo as follows:

President Carter	Not met before
Giscard d'Estaing	More than once, most recently on 5 June in Paris
Chancellor Schmidt	More than once, most recently on 10/11 May
Signor Andreotti	In London on 15 June
Prime Minister Fukuda	In April 1977 when she visited Japan (13-16 April 1977).
Prime Minister Clark	Not met before
Roy Jenkins representing the EEC Commission	Many times

AUSTRALIA

Programme

As provisionally outlined at Annex A.

Composition of Party

The Prime Minister will be accompanied only by official advisers. Lord Carrington is visiting a number of countries in the Far East after Tokyo and the Chancellor of the Exchequer will be returning to London.

Agenda

Subjects to be covered will include bilateral relations between Britain and Australia, the results of the Tokyo Economic Summit meeting and the forthcoming Heads of Government Meeting in Lusaka. If questioned further, obviously the problems of Indo Chinese refugees and Rhodesia will also be covered.

Previous Visits

Mrs Thatcher visited Australia as Secretary of State for Education in August/September 1972 when she went to Adelaide, Canberra, Brisbane and Sydney to see a wide variety of educational establishments.

She subsequently visited Australia in September 1976 as Leader of the Opposition at the invitation of the Australian Liberal Party. She met Mr Malcolm Fraser on that occasion.

Postscript

Moscow Stop Over: Mrs Thatcher has visited Moscow once before in 1969 when she went to the USSR on a parliamentary visit.

OUTLINE PROVISIONAL PROGRAMME
(as known on 19 June)

ANNEX A.

Local times shown

Tuesday 26 June

1715 hours The Prime Minister's RAF VC10 leaves London Airport (Southside) for Tokyo, via Moscow.

Wednesday 27 June

1600 hours Arrival of VC10 at Haneda Airport. To New Otani Tower.

? 2000 hours (to be notified) President Giscard's dinner for Heads of Delegations of EEC Countries (lounge suits/long or short dress).

Thursday 28 June

? 0800 hours Prime Minister Ohira's breakfast for Heads of State/Government.

0930 Summit begins

1300 Prime Minister Ohira's lunch for Heads of State/Government, President of Commission and Ministers.

1500 Summit continues.

1930 Imperial Banquet for Heads of State/Government, President of Commission and Ministers (black tie).

Friday 29 June

0800 hours Prime Minister's breakfast with President Carter.

0930 Summit continues.

1300 Prime Minister Ohira's lunch for Heads of State/Government.
Foreign Minister Sonoda's lunch for Foreign Ministers.
Finance Minister Kaneko's lunch for Finance Ministers and President of the Commission.

1500 Summit continues.

1730 Press Conference

1820 Press Conference ends.

2100 Prime Minister departs in RAF VC10 for Canberra.

/Saturday 30 June

PRESS NOTICE

TOKYO ECONOMIC SUMMIT, JUNE, 1979

The following statement is being released simultaneously today in the capitals concerned:

"The Heads of State and Government of Canada, France, Germany, Italy, Japan, the United Kingdom and the United States have agreed to hold the next Summit meeting in Tokyo on 28th and 29th June, 1979 at the invitation of Prime Minister Ohira. The European Community will be represented by the President of the Council and the President of the Commission in sessions dealing with matters within the Community's competence.

The participants at the Tokyo Summit will discuss policies for the stable expansion of the world economy in the spirit of mutual co-operation that has been fostered by the previous Summit meetings. Having reviewed progress made on the five specific areas covered in their Declaration at the 1978 Bonn Summit, they will deal with current economic problems requiring immediate attention and will examine the basic issues that confront them in the longer term. Preparatory work is now going ahead on an agreed basis."

10 Downing Street,
Whitehall, S.W.1.

29 March, 1979

NOTES TO EDITORS

The Tokyo Summit, to be held on 28/29 June, 1979, is the fifth in a series of meetings by the Heads of State and Government of Canada, France, Germany, Italy, Japan, the United Kingdom and the United States and the President of the EEC Commission to discuss the world economic situation

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